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In re Application of:

Pepicelli et al.

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Hedgehog-Like Polypeptides, and
Formulation and Uses Related Thereto

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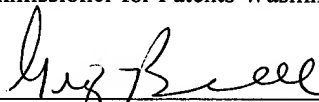
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Sir:

This amendment is being filed in reply to the outstanding Office Action, mailed September 16, 2002, in connection with the above application. Please enter the following amendments:

In the claims:

For the convenience of the Examiner, all claims being examined, whether or not amended, are presented below.

✓ Please cancel, without prejudice, claims 3, 6-15, 23, 29-33 and 36.